

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

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Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification:	Objectionable.
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Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

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Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 09 December 2020

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer-generated image explicitly depicts a young girl engaged in sexual activity with a dog. That the image is computer-generated does not diminish its effect. It presents young people as sexually active and aware, and as appropriate subjects for adult sexual fantasy and desire. It also gives the impression that children are willing to engage in taboo sexual practices such as bestiality and thereby has a promotional effect. The only likely purpose of the image is the titillation of those with a prurient interest in young people and in bestiality. Images such as this have a normalising effect that encourages and legitimises this interest, and an interest in bestiality. The image therefore promotes and supports the exploitation of children or young persons for sexual purposes and bestiality, and is deemed objectionable under s3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 (FVPC Act). This classification interferes with the right to freedom of expression as provided by the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 but is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the FVPC Act are deemed to be objectionable.